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Feature Tips on 4-H Delegates

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4-H Club members attending the National 4-H Club Camp have earned that honor. Their accomplishments are many and varied. Some have led the young people of their own community in working on local problems. Sixteen-year-old Kathleen Ray, besides baking the best rolls and biscuits in the State of Louisiana, has helped to transform a run-down section marred by unpainted houses and unkempt lawns into a community with a new look. Farmers have been inspired to develop registered herds, and the homes are as comfortable and the farms as productive as anywhere else since 4-H Club work came to town. The high school had a recreation yard but with no equipment. The club cleared it and planted grass. Local businessmen saw what was going on and provided lights for night games. Now there are two or more games every week.

In Maine, Helen M. Waltz cleaned the library and indexed the books after the library had been flooded.

In Tennessee, Billy Fleming and his club made a survey of sanitation and health conditions in the town of Bell Buckle, which won a State award.

In Kentucky, Jewell Deene Ellis and her club used their prize money to buy a sewing machine for the high school, as there were no home economics classes there. The principal authorized the use of a schoolroom and tables, and Jewell herself set about instructing the younger girls in sewing.

In Oklahoma, Donna Lee Hine, as community safety chairman, succeeded in getting 96 hazards corrected in her immediate neighborhood.

In New Hampshire, Charles Henderson and his club collected useful household items for nine families that had lost their homes in last fall's forest fires.

In Elk Garden, Va., Bobby Leonard, 17, and his club wanted a clubhouse and got together a fund of \$125 for the building. As this proved too little, they have bought livestock with the money; and each member is feeding an animal on home-grown feed, which will be sold next fall for the benefit of the clubhouse.

Roger Everitt, of New Jersey, has raised eight Seeing-Eye dogs.

Lucille Latza, to combat juvenile delinquency, helped organize summer entertainment for youth in Letcher, S. Dak. As leader of the "Little Women Club," she presented the idea to the town council and procured their cooperation.

John Tom Selman, of Georgia, specialized in sweetpotatoes. He and his father built a curing house for 2,000 bushels and leased one-half of its capacity to the 4-H Club growers. John Tom himself harvested 800 bushels.

William D. Moore, of North Carolina, and his club raised the money to buy 135 steel lockers for the school. This was for the students to store books, hats, coats, and other personal belongings.

Some of the girls have accomplished wonders in home improvement. Daisy Louise Wilburn, of Alabama, remodeled the spare bedroom, her mother's room, and the kitchen. She papered and painted and made curtains and in her own room put in a fireplace which she acknowledged was "quite a job." This young lady also keeps three ewes, a buck, and two lambs for wool. She and her mother have made 10 comforts from the wool on Daisy's sheep. They clip the sheep and wash and card the wool.

Dorothy Frezieres, 17, of Colorado, landscaped her home. She had a green thumb and a love for flowers. With an outdoor dining room, a rock garden, lily pond, fireplace, rose trellis, and flowers that gave some bloom throughout the season, the place was a thing of beauty. But 3 years after the plans were about complete the family moved, and she started again with lawn and flowers at her new hillside home.

Edna Ezell, of Florida, helped to plan the remodeling of her home, painted the exterior, refinished all the floors and some of the furniture.

Many of the club members have contributed to the family living and comfort through their activities. Cloyd Alford, 16, of Alabama, says: "I have taken \$309 of my 4-H Club hog money to buy my mother an electric range, a home quick freezer, and paint for painting the inside of our home." He also gives one-tenth of all he makes to his church.

Eudon Rice, of Alabama, as a share cropper's son in his early days of 4-H Club work, helped to make the family living in addition to his 4-H project for which he had to win the landlord's approval. But he made good, and the family was able to rent some land which gave him a better chance for his 4-H projects. They prospered and bought 80 acres, which they are bringing back to productivity. He finds hogs, corn, and peanuts most profitable.

Some of these young folks are now taking mature responsibilities. Raymond Powers, 18, of Colorado, has, with his mother, successfully operated a dairy farm since the death of his father. He had to leave school but has learned a great deal as he went along. The owner of 57 high-producing Holsteins, he is vice president of the El Paso County Holstein Association.

Inez Sherrill, of Tennessee, is a busy girl but manages to get everything in by budgeting her time and using labor short cuts. She prepares the family meals and packs 6 school lunches and cans 600 or 700 quarts of farm produce besides helping her father in mowing and harvesting hay, chopping and picking cotton, milking cows, hauling firewood, and looking after the chickens.

Ruth Schuerman, of the State of Washington, one of 10 children, either cans or helps can the fruit, meat, and vegetables for the family, which means 1,000 quarts annually.

Jean Bagley, of Maine, grows an acre of sweet corn each year and also helps her father cultivate and hoe his 8 acres of sweet corn.

Joan Morgan, of New York, and J. C. Dow, of Arkansas, each planted 1,000 seedlings as part of his forestry work.

Phyllis DeWolf, 18, of Iowa, helped her father operate the farm during the war when her brother was in service.

Evelyn Mickelson, of Michigan, and her mother take care of the farm and livestock alone.

Billy Williams, of Kansas, operates a 320-acre farm since his dad's death.

Dale Gill, 17, of California, is a cowman of the western tradition with 38 head of his own.

Dewey Gilbert Harwood, Jr., of North Carolina, purchased a 35-acre farm with buildings on it with his 4-H money. He has 46 head of Guernsey cattle.

Barbara Ruth Fowler, 17, of Idaho is a conservation expert. She mapped a timbered 60-acre section for cultivation. With the help of her father and brothers, two ponds have been built and a wildlife preserve established.

Clarence Huber, of Arizona, has a reputation for swine raising, which has brought him \$14,000. He is also assistant superintendent of the well-known Maricopa 4-H Fair.

Howard Altenhof, 18, of Texas, has a herd of 18 registered beef cattle, which has furnished the money for land and equipment. Elliott McDonald owns 85 acres of land, 7 dairy cows, and 6 beef cows and writes, "Now I have my farm, I plan to invest my money in its improvement."

Two of the girls have set their goals on the teaching profession. Loranell Anderson, 20, of Kansas, now teaches fifth and sixth grades in Ruleton Consolidated School and serves as secretary of the Sherman County Teachers Association.

Muriel Jensen, of California, is preparing to be a rural teacher because teachers are needed so badly.

Then there is Patsy Jo Delavan, 17, of Texas, a city girl who moved to the country and took to farm life like a duck to water. She has turkeys, sheep, and a garden.

Dick T. Brown, of Colorado, has sheep that are paying his expenses at college.

Don A. Bowman, of Tennessee, who, with his father, bought \$2,500 worth of farm equipment to combat war labor shortage, maintains it and has done \$450 worth of custom work for neighbors.

Bob Boyd, of Wyoming, who lives in one of Wyoming's larger cities but is a leader in rural activities, has established a 4-H program in a city of 12,000.

Aida Luz Ortiz, of Puerto Rico, who makes those beautiful Puerto Rican bags, has already sold \$327 worth. She also helped organize a health conference for the fathers of the club members.

Stewart D. Young, of Maryland, and his two sisters, fill appointments over the State as an entertaining vocal trio.